

## Calusa Dog Agility Club

### Meeting Minutes

Held on Monday March 1, 2010 at 7:30 PM

Location: Healing Paws-Abilities Training Facility  
12140 Metro Parkway, Fort Myers

In Attendance: Bob Gale, Darlene Sumner, Christy Roberts, Michael O'Connor, Mary Baker, Charlene Ewen, Marval Miller, Richard LaForest, Kelly Legarreta, Joseph J. Senich, Marla Reznitsky, Stephany Sanchez, Mary Beck, Lisa Beever, Cathy Thompson, Andrea Denton

General Meeting Called to order at 7:30 PM

Review of previous meeting minutes, Lisa Beever motioned to approve, Darlene Sumner seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

#### President's Report:

Marla has created Thank you notes to use for donations we receive by persons or companies for our events and fundraising efforts. The Calusa Dog Agility Club is a not for Profit organization in the eyes of the state of Florida, the next hurdle in obtaining this status will be filing with the IRS for 501C-4. We will pursue this when we have enough funds, as the cost will be approximately \$1400 (\$800 to file plus \$600 for the CPA fee).

We are receiving email via the website. Our Club Insurance has arrived including Companion Dog Training Club listed as additional insured in time for our fun match. (We will need to have the Greater Fort Myers Dog Club as well as the Lee County Civic Center for the next fun match in May.)

#### No Secretary's Report

#### Treasurer's Report:

As of this meeting the club has collected \$290 in Membership fees, \$490 in Fun Match entry fees, and \$952.29 in Founders Fund Fees. All Financial reports are open for club members to view.

#### Committee Reports

##### Membership:

Membership Chairperson, Andrea Denton, read the current list of members.

##### Fundraising:

Marval Miller reported on the generous donations we have received for the Fun Match Raffle, including; Darlene Sumner/Little Paws Bakery, Bob Gale/PetSmart Gift Cards, Andrea Denton/Bob Evans, Bark Avenue, plus many more.

Andrea and Stephany will take items donated items home to make baskets.

Kay Henrion (Absent from this meeting) sent a report to be read via Kelly:

Kay has approached Darlene Sumner at Little Paws Bakery about doing a fundraiser event, and she has agreed. Kay plans to also approach the people in Estero : Woof Gang Bakery, Linda and JC in Naples and is looking for a place in either Punta Gorda or Port Charlotte

The idea is to introduce the club to the community and maybe give a little demo.

Kay also suggested having other things such as a Canine Massage Therapist, Judy Harmon for readings, Gretchen who does the beautiful paintings, etc

Marla made the motion for Kay to move ahead with securing a date for a future fundraises in April or May. Kelly seconded the motion and it was approved.

### Community Outreach:

Lisa can link anything now to the website including photo galleries and videos. (She will be taking pictures at the fun match). Andrea has created our facebook page. We are not really using the yahoo page.

### Correspondence:

Marla has received emails about training information and directed them to our website for the training resource links.

### Fun Match:

Review of some elements: There will be Jumpers and Standard (Novice and Excellent) and a Game. Training in the ring is OK, leashes and toys allowed- No treats. Entries are starting to pick up and attendance is looking good.

Marla created a volunteer worker sign up for each class, and jobs were designated. Concessions were volunteered for donation such as banana bread, cake (thank you Bob!), cookies, chips, sandwiches, fruit and water. Everyone has his or her jobs, and we are ready and very excited!

### Old Business:

Our Business Cards and Banner have arrived and look fabulous!

Andrea will attend the Greater Fort Myers Dog Club Meeting Tuesday March 2 at Bob Evans for Marla.

### New Business:

Charlene does the News-Press press releases for their club and show and would like to include us for the show in May. She will send press contact lists to Kelly and Marla to start doing our own press releases for publicity and events.

Kelly has been in contact with the Lee County Pet Expo promoters (Angel's Promotions) about possibly running the Agility portion of the Expo at the Lee County Civic Center, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2010.

Suggestions made about this possibility are as follows: Talk to the Dog Training Club of Lee County about "sharing" demos of obedience and agility and using their mats. Negotiate vendor fees, and or entrance fees for fun match participators.

Marla made the motion for Kelly to further explore this venue, Cathy Thompson seconded it, and it was approved.

Mary Baker is doing an Agility Demo at the Botanical Gardens and will take flyers to promote the club. She also mentioned that her day job is graphic design, and has offered her services to the club.

### Brag:

As usual- there were too many to list individually, so congratulations to all our members and their four legged teammates for all their achievements!

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 PM.

**NOTE: The next Calusa Dog Agility Club meeting will be held on Monday April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at Healing Paws-Abilities Training Facility. There will be an Officers Meeting beforehand from 6:30-7:30 PM**

Respectfully submitted by,

Kelly Legarreta, Secretary